

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

*Routine Proceedings, pages S5487–S5582*

**Measures Introduced:** Five bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 3308–3312, and S. Res. 551–552. **Page S5502**

#### Measures Considered:

**Legislative Branch Appropriations Act—Cloture:** Senate began consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 5325, making appropriations for the Legislative Branch for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. **Pages S5487–89**

A motion was entered to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill, and, in accordance with the provisions of rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on cloture will occur upon disposition of S. 2848, Water Resources Development Act. **Page S5487**

**Water Resources Development Act—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of S. 2848, to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S5489–99**

#### Pending:

McConnell (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 4979, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5489**

Inhofe Amendment No. 4980 (to Amendment No. 4979), to make a technical correction. **Page S5489**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

By 90 yeas to 1 nay (Vote No. 138), three-fifths of those Senators duly chosen and sworn, having voted in the affirmative, Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on McConnell (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 4979 (listed above). **Pages S5498–99**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10 a.m., on Tuesday, September 13, 2016; and that all time during recess or adjourn-

ment of the Senate count post-cloture on McConnell (for Inhofe) Amendment No. 4979. **Page S5582**

**Signing Authority—Agreement:** A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that the junior Senator from North Carolina and the senior Senator from Texas be granted signing authority for Monday, September 12, 2016. **Page S5582**

**Nominations Received:** Senate received the following nominations:

David J. Arroyo, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting for a term expiring January 31, 2022.

Robert G. Taub, of New York, to be a Commissioner of the Postal Regulatory Commission for a term expiring October 14, 2022.

Matthew Lee Wiener, of Virginia, to be Chairman of the Administrative Conference of the United States for the term of five years.

1 Navy nomination in the rank of admiral.

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**Nomination Withdrawn:** Senate received notification of withdrawal of the following nomination:

Brodi L. Fontenot, of Louisiana, to be Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Treasury, which was sent to the Senate on February 12, 2015.

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**Nominations Discharged:** The following nominations were discharged from further committee consideration and placed on the Executive Calendar:

Susan S. Gibson, of Virginia, to be Inspector General of the National Reconnaissance Office, which was sent to the Senate on April 18, 2016, from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

Peggy E. Gustafson, of Maryland, to be Inspector General, Department of Commerce, which was sent to the Senate on April 25, 2016, from the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs. **Page S5582**

**Messages from the House:** **Pages S5501–02**

**Measures Referred:** **Page S5502**

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**Additional Statements:** Pages S5500–01  
**Amendments Submitted:** Pages S5505–82  
**Authorities for Committees to Meet:** Page S5582  
**Record Votes:** One record vote was taken today.  
 (Total—138) Pages S5498–99  
**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 3 p.m. and adjourned at 6:46 p.m., until 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 13, 2016. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S5582.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### U.S.-TURKISH COOPERATION

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee received a closed briefing on the failed coup in Turkey and the future of United States-Turkish cooperation from Victoria Nuland, Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of European and Eurasian Affairs; and James J. Townsend, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for European and NATO Policy.

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# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 8 public bills, H.R. 5992–5999; and 3 resolutions, H. Res. 857, 860, and 861 were introduced. Page H5337

**Additional Cosponsors:** Pages H5338–39

**Reports Filed:** Reports were filed today as follows:  
 H.R. 921, to provide protections for certain sports medicine professionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–736, Part 1);

H.R. 4979, to foster civilian research and development of advanced nuclear energy technologies and enhance the licensing and commercial deployment of such technologies, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–737, Part 1);

H.R. 4782, to increase, effective as of December 1, 2016, the rates of compensation for veterans with service-connected disabilities and the rates of dependency and indemnity compensation for the survivors of certain disabled veterans, and for other purposes, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–738);

H.J. Res. 87, providing for congressional disapproval under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, of the final rule of the Department of Labor relating to "Interpretation of the 'Advice' Exemption in Section 203c) of the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act" (H. Rept. 114–739);

H.R. 2817, to amend title 54, United States Code, to extend the authorization of appropriations for the Historic Preservation Fund, with an amendment (H. Rept. 114–740);

H. Res. 858, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3590) to amend the Internal Revenue

Code of 1986 to repeal the increase in the income threshold used in determining the deduction for medical care (H. Rept. 114–741); and

H. Res. 859, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 5620) to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the removal or demotion of employees of the Department of Veterans Affairs based on performance or misconduct, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 114–742). Page H5337

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Meadows to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H5257

**Recess:** The House recessed at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 2 p.m. Page H5257

**Suspensions:** The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the life and work of Elie Wiesel in promoting human rights, peace, and Holocaust remembrance:* H. Res. 810, amended, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the life and work of Elie Wiesel in promoting human rights, peace, and Holocaust remembrance;

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*Expressing support for the goal of ensuring that all Holocaust victims live with dignity, comfort, and security in their remaining years, and urging the Federal Republic of Germany to continue to reaffirm its commitment to comprehensively address the unique health and welfare needs of vulnerable Holocaust victims, including home care and other medically prescribed needs:* S. Con. Res. 46, expressing support for the goal of ensuring that

all Holocaust victims live with dignity, comfort, and security in their remaining years, and urging the Federal Republic of Germany to continue to reaffirm its commitment to comprehensively address the unique health and welfare needs of vulnerable Holocaust victims, including home care and other medically prescribed needs; **Pages H5263–66**

*Supporting human rights, democracy, and the rule of law in Cambodia:* H. Res. 728, amended, supporting human rights, democracy, and the rule of law in Cambodia; **Pages H5270–72**

*State Sponsors of Terrorism Review Enhancement Act:* H.R. 5484, to modify authorities that provide for rescission of determinations of countries as state sponsors of terrorism; **Pages H5272–74**

*Veterans Care Agreement and West Los Angeles Leasing Act of 2016:* H.R. 5936, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into agreements with certain health care providers to furnish health care to veterans, to authorize the Secretary to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, and to make certain improvements to the enhanced-use lease authority of the Department; **Pages H5274–77**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To authorize the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to enter into certain leases at the Department of Veterans Affairs West Los Angeles Campus in Los Angeles, California, to make certain improvements to the enhanced-use lease authority of the Department, and for other purposes.”. **Page H5277**

*Veterans Mobility Safety Act:* H.R. 3471, amended, to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvements in the provision of automobiles and adaptive equipment by the Department of Veterans Affairs; **Pages H5277–79**

*Amending title 36, United States Code, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to acquire, operate, and maintain the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial in Marnes-la-Coquette, France:* H.R. 5937, amended, to amend title 36, United States Code, to authorize the American Battle Monuments Commission to acquire, operate, and maintain the Lafayette Escadrille Memorial in Marnes-la-Coquette, France; **Pages H5279–80**

*Ensuring Access to Pacific Fisheries Act:* H.R. 4576, amended, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fisheries Resources in the North Pacific Ocean, to implement the Convention on the Conservation and Management of High Seas Fishery Resources in the South Pacific Ocean; **Pages H5280–86**

*Reauthorizing the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program:* H.R. 295, amended, to reauthorize the Historically Black Colleges and Universities Historic Preservation program; **Pages H5286–87**

*Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children Act:* S. 246, amended, to establish the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children; **Pages H5287–89**

*Native American Tourism and Improving Visitor Experience Act:* S. 1579, to enhance and integrate Native American tourism, empower Native American communities, increase coordination and collaboration between Federal tourism assets, and expand heritage and cultural tourism opportunities in the United States; **Pages H5289–92**

*BOTS Act:* H.R. 5104, amended, to prohibit, as an unfair and deceptive act or practice in commerce, the sale or use of certain software to circumvent control measures used by Internet ticket sellers to ensure equitable consumer access to tickets for any given event; **Pages H5292–95**

*Consumer Review Fairness Act of 2016:* H.R. 5111, amended, to prohibit the use of certain clauses in form contracts that restrict the ability of a consumer to communicate regarding the goods or services offered in interstate commerce that were the subject of the contract; **Pages H5295–98**

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives about a national strategy for the Internet of Things to promote economic growth and consumer empowerment:* H. Res. 847, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives about a national strategy for the Internet of Things to promote economic growth and consumer empowerment, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeand-nay vote of 367 yeas to 4 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 496; **Pages H5298–H5300, H5309**

*Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should adopt a national policy for technology to promote consumers’ access to financial tools and online commerce to promote economic growth and consumer empowerment:* H. Res. 835, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States should adopt a national policy for technology to promote consumers’ access to financial tools and online commerce to promote economic growth and consumer empowerment, by a  $\frac{2}{3}$  yeand-nay vote of 385 yeas to 4 nays with one answering “present”, Roll No. 497; **Pages H5300–02, H5309–10**

**Amateur Radio Parity Act:** H.R. 1301, amended, to direct the Federal Communications Commission to extend to private land use restrictions its rule relating to reasonable accommodation of amateur service communications; **Pages H5302–04**

Agreed to amend the title so as to read: “To direct the Federal Communications Commission to amend its rules so as to prohibit the application to amateur stations of certain private land use restrictions, and for other purposes.”. **Page H5304**

**Sports Medicine Licensure Clarity Act:** H.R. 921, amended, to provide protections for certain sports medicine professionals who provide certain medical services in a secondary State; and

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**Advanced Nuclear Technology Development Act of 2016:** H.R. 4979, amended, to foster civilian research and development of advanced nuclear energy technologies and enhance the licensing and commercial deployment of such technologies. **Pages H5305–08**

**Suspension—Proceedings Postponed:** The House debated the following measure under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed.

**Expressing support for the expeditious consideration and finalization of a new, robust, and long-term Memorandum of Understanding on military assistance to Israel between the United States Government and the Government of Israel:** H. Res. 729, expressing support for the expeditious consideration and finalization of a new, robust, and long-term Memorandum of Understanding on military assistance to Israel between the United States Government and the Government of Israel. **Pages H5266–70**

**U.S. Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors—Appointment:** Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Minority Leader, in which she appointed the following individual to the U.S. Election Assistance Commission Board of Advisors: Dr. Philip B. Stark of Berkeley, California. **Page H5311**

**Congressional Award Board—Appointment:** Read a letter from Representative Pelosi, Minority Leader, in which she appointed the following individual to the Congressional Award Board: Mr. Steven L. Roberts of St. Louis, Missouri. **Pages H5311–12**

**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H5309, and H5309–10. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 12 noon and adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

## Committee Meetings

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Communications and Technology began a markup on H.R. 2566, the “Improving Rural Call Quality and Reliability Act of 2015”; and H.R. 2669, the “Anti-Spoofing Act of 2015”.

### MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

**Committee on Energy and Commerce:** Subcommittee on Health began a markup on H.R. 4365, the “Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016”; H.R. 1192, the “National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act”; H.R. 1209, the “Improving Access to Maternity Care Act”; H.R. 1877, the “Mental Health First Aid”; and H.R. 2713, the “Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2015”.

### CLASSIFICATIONS AND REDACTIONS IN FBI’S INVESTIGATIVE FILE

**Committee on Oversight and Government Reform:** Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Classifications and Redactions in FBI’s Investigative File”. Testimony was heard from Peter Kadzik, Assistant Attorney General for Legislative Affairs, Department of Justice; Julia Frifield, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Legislative Affairs, Department of State; Jason Herring, Acting Assistant Director for Congressional Affairs, Federal Bureau of Investigation; Deirdre Walsh, Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, Office of the Director of National Intelligence; Neal Higgins, Director of Congressional Affairs, Central Intelligence Agency; James Samuel, Jr., Chief of Congressional Affairs, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency; and Trumbull Soule, Director of Legislative Affairs Office, National Security Agency/Central Security Service.

### HALT TAX INCREASES ON THE MIDDLE CLASS AND SENIORS ACT; VA ACCOUNTABILITY FIRST AND APPEALS MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2016

**Committee on Rules:** Full Committee held a hearing on H.R. 3590, the “Halt Tax Increases on the Middle Class and Seniors Act”; H.R. 5620, the “VA Accountability First and Appeals Modernization Act of 2016”. The committee granted, by record vote of 7–3, a closed rule for H.R. 3590. The rule provides one hour of debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Ways and Means. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on

Ways and Means now printed in the bill shall be considered as adopted and the bill, as amended, shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill, as amended. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The Committee granted, by record vote of 7–3, a structured rule for H.R. 5620. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Veterans' Affairs. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against provisions in the bill. The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report. Each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Brady of Texas, Chairman Miller of Florida, and Representatives Levin, Takano, O'Rourke, Walz, Hastings, Cárdenas, Hahn, and Hinojosa.

## Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

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### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### Senate

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry:* business meeting to consider H.R. 2647, to expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, 10 a.m., SR–328A.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine encryption and cyber matters; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC–217, following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SH–216.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the National Flood Insurance Program, focusing on reviewing the recommendations of the Technical Mapping Advisory Council's 2015 Annual Report, 10:30 a.m., SD–538.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine an original bill entitled, "Better Online Ticket Sales Act of 2016", 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

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*Committee on Agriculture,* Subcommittee on Nutrition, hearing entitled "Past, Present, and Future of SNAP: Improving Innovation and Success in Employment and Training Programs", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* Subcommittee on Communications and Technology, markup on H.R. 2566, the "Improving Rural Call Quality and Reliability Act of 2015"; and H.R. 2669, the "Anti-Spoofing Act of 2015" (continued), 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Health, markup on H.R. 4365, the "Protecting Patient Access to Emergency Medications Act of 2016"; H.R. 1192, the "National Diabetes Clinical Care Commission Act"; H.R. 1209, the "Improving Access to Maternity Care Act"; H.R. 1877, the "Mental Health First Aid"; and H.R. 2713, the "Title VIII Nursing Workforce Reauthorization Act of 2015" (continued), 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Financial Services,* Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5983, the "Financial CHOICE Act of 2016", 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* Subcommittee on Border and Maritime Security, hearing entitled "Moving the Line of Scrimmage: Re-examining the Defense-in-Depth Strategy", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5065, the "Bottles and Breastfeeding Equipment Screening Act"; H.R. 5346, the "Securing our Agriculture and Food Act"; H.R. 5459, the "Cyber Preparedness Act of 2016"; H.R. 5460, the "First Responder Access to Innovative Technologies Act"; H.R. 5728, the "Cuban Airport Security Act of 2016"; H.R. 5843, the "United States-Israel Cybersecurity Cooperation Enhancement Act of 2016"; H.R. 5859, the "Community Counterterrorism Preparedness Act"; H.R. 5877, the "United States-Israel Advanced Research Partnership Act of 2016"; H.R. 5943, the "Transit Security Grant Program Flexibility Act", 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* Subcommittee on the Constitution and Civil Justice, hearing entitled "Exploring Federal Diversity Jurisdiction", 11 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet, hearing entitled "Oversight of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office", 1 p.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* Subcommittee on Indian, Insular, and Alaska Native Affairs, hearing on reviewing the economic impacts from the implementation of the Commonwealth-only worker program in the Northern Mariana Islands under Public Law 110–229, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* Full Committee, hearing entitled "Examining Preservation of State Department Federal Records", 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on the Interior, hearing entitled “21st Century Conservation Practices”, 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules*, Full Committee, hearing on H.R. 5226, the “Regulatory Integrity Act of 2016”; and H.R. 5351, to prohibit the transfer of any individual detained at United States Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, 3 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology*, Full Committee, hearing entitled “Protecting the 2016 Elections from Cyber and Voting Machine Attacks”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, Subcommittee on Investigations, Oversight, and Regulations; and Subcommittee on Contracting and Workforce, joint hearing entitled “The Cumulative Burden of President Obama’s Executive Orders on Small Contractors”, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, Subcommittee on Oversight, hearing entitled “Back to School: A Review of Tax-Exempt College and University Endowments”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

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## CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 13 through September 16,  
2016

### Senate Chamber

On *Tuesday*, at approximately 10:00 a.m., Senate will continue consideration of S. 2848, Water Resources Development Act.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

### Senate Committees

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

*Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry*: September 13, business meeting to consider H.R. 2647, to expedite under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 and improve forest management activities on National Forest System lands, on public lands under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management, and on tribal lands to return resilience to overgrown, fire-prone forested lands, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christopher James Brummer, of the District of Columbia, and Brian D. Quintenz, of the District of Columbia, both to be a Commissioner of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, 10 a.m., SR-328A.

*Committee on Appropriations*: September 14, Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, to hold hearings to examine the future of nuclear power, 2:30 p.m., SD-138.

*Committee on Armed Services*: September 13, to hold hearings to examine encryption and cyber matters; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217, following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the long-term budgetary challenges facing the

military services and innovative solutions for maintaining our military superiority, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

*Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs*: September 13, to hold hearings to examine the National Flood Insurance Program, focusing on reviewing the recommendations of the Technical Mapping Advisory Council’s 2015 Annual Report, 10:30 a.m., SD-538.

*Committee on the Budget*: September 14, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Congressional Budget Office, 2:30 p.m., SD-608.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation*: September 13, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, Insurance, and Data Security, to hold hearings to examine an original bill entitled, “Better Online Ticket Sales Act of 2016”, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold an oversight hearing to examine the Federal Communications Commission, 10 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Foreign Relations*: September 14, Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women’s Issues, to hold hearings to examine protecting girls, focusing on global efforts to end child marriage, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

September 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine North Atlantic Treaty Organization expansion, focusing on the accession of Montenegro, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine Afghanistan, focusing on United States policy and international commitments, 9:45 a.m., SD-419.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine reviewing the civil nuclear agreement with Norway, 2:15 p.m., SD-419.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs*: September 15, to hold hearings to examine the state of health insurance markets, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Committee on Indian Affairs*: September 14, business meeting to consider S. 2796, to repeal certain obsolete laws relating to Indians; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine S. 2636, to amend the Act of June 18, 1934, to require mandatory approval of applications for land to be taken into trust if the land is wholly within a reservation, S. 3216, to repeal the Act entitled “An Act to confer jurisdiction on the State of Iowa over offenses committed by or against Indians on the Sac and Fox Indian Reservation”, S. 3222, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to assess sanitation and safety conditions at Bureau of Indian Affairs facilities that were constructed to provide treaty tribes access to traditional fishing grounds and expend funds on construction of facilities and structures to improve those conditions, and S. 3300, to approve the settlement of water rights claims of the Hualapai Tribe and certain allottees in the State of Arizona, to authorize construction of a water project relating to those water rights claims, 2:30 p.m., SD-628.

*Committee on Judiciary*: September 14, Subcommittee on Oversight, Agency Action, Federal Rights and Federal Courts, to hold hearings to examine protecting Internet freedom, focusing on the implications of ending United States oversight of the Internet, 10 a.m., SD-226.

September 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine S. 2763, to provide the victims of Holocaust-era persecution and their heirs a fair opportunity to recover works of art confiscated or misappropriated by the Nazis, S. 3155, to amend chapter 97 of title 28, United States Code, to clarify the exception to foreign sovereign immunity set forth in section 1605(a)(3) of such title, S. 3270, to prevent elder abuse and exploitation and improve the justice system's response to victims in elder abuse and exploitation cases, and the nominations of Lucy Haeran Koh, of California, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Ninth Circuit, and Florence Y. Pan, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD-226.

*Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship:* September 15, to hold hearings to examine the Federal response and resources for Louisiana flood victims, 10:30 a.m., SR-428A.

*Committee on Veterans' Affairs:* September 14, to hold hearings to examine the future of the Department of Veterans Affairs, focusing on examining the Commission on Care report and the VA's response, 2:30 p.m., SR-418.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* September 13, to hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

September 15, Full Committee, to receive a closed briefing on certain intelligence matters, 2 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* September 14, to hold hearings to examine maximizing Social Security benefits, 2:30 p.m., SD-562.

### House Committees

*Committee on Agriculture,* September 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 470, the "Chattahoochee-Oconee National Forest Land Adjustment Act of 2015"; H.R. 845, the "National Forest System Trails Stewardship Act"; and H.R. 5883, the "Technical and Clarifying Amendments to the Packers and Stockyards Act of 2016"; and hearing entitled "American Agricultural Trade with Cuba", 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

*Committee on Armed Services,* September 14, Subcommittee on Seapower and Projection Forces, hearing entitled "Next Generation Air Space Control—Ensuring Air Force Compliance by January 1, 2020", 3:30 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

*Committee on the Budget,* September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Growing Risks to the Budget and the Economy", 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

*Committee on Education and the Workforce,* September 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5963, the "Supporting Youth Opportunity and Preventing Delinquency Act of 2016", 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

*Committee on Energy and Commerce,* September 14, Subcommittee on Health; and Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, joint hearing entitled "The Affordable Care Act on Shaky Ground: Outlook and Oversight", 10 a.m., HVC-210.

September 14, Subcommittee on Commerce, Manufacturing, and Trade, hearing entitled "Disrupter Series: Advanced Robotics", 10:30 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

September 15, Subcommittee on Energy and Power, hearing entitled "The Department of Energy's Role in Advancing the National, Economic, and Energy Security of the United States", 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

*Committee on Foreign Affairs,* September 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5931, the "Prohibiting Future Ransom Payments to Iran Act", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Health, Global Human Rights, and International Organizations, hearing entitled "Eritrea: A Neglected Regional Threat", 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, and Emerging Threats, hearing entitled "Turkey After the July Coup Attempt", 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, hearing entitled "North Korea's Perpetual Provocations: Another Dangerous, Escalatory Nuclear Test", 3 p.m., 2255 Rayburn.

September 15, Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa, markup on H. Res. 220, condemning the Government of Iran's state-sponsored persecution of its Baha'i minority and its continued violation of the International Covenants on Human Rights, 9:30 a.m., 2255 Rayburn.

September 15, Subcommittee on the Western Hemisphere, markup on H. Res. 851, expressing profound concern about the ongoing political, economic, social and humanitarian crisis in Venezuela, urging the release of political prisoners, and calling for respect of constitutional and democratic processes; and H.R. 5708, the "Nicaragua Investment Conditionality Act of 2016"; and hearing entitled "Nicaragua's Democratic Collapse", 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

*Committee on Homeland Security,* September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Shutting Down Terrorist Pathways into America", 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

*Committee on the Judiciary,* September 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5992, the "American Job Creation and Investment Promotion Reform Act of 2016"; H.R. 5982, the "Midnight Rules Relief Act of 2016"; and H.R. 5801, the "Protect and Grow American Jobs Act", 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

*Committee on Natural Resources,* September 14, Subcommittee on Federal Lands, hearing on H.R. 5780, the "Utah Public Lands Initiative Act", 10 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

*Committee on Oversight and Government Reform,* September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Examining the Affordable Care Act's Premium Increases", 9 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

September 14, Subcommittee on National Security; and Subcommittee on Government Operations, joint hearing entitled "Radicalization in the U.S. and the Rise of Terrorism", 2 p.m., 2154 Rayburn.

*Committee on Rules,* September 14, Subcommittee on Rules and Organization of the House, hearing entitled "Members' Day Hearing on Proposed Rules Changes for the 115th Congress", 10 a.m., H-313 Capitol.

*Committee on Science, Space, and Technology,* September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled "Affirming Congress'

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September 15, Subcommittee on Environment, hearing entitled “A Solution in Search of a Problem: EPA’s Methane Regulations”, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

*Committee on Small Business*, September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “IRS Puts Small Businesses through Audit Wringer”, 11 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

*Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure*, September 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 5011, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 300 Fannin Street in Shreveport, Louisiana, as the “Tom Stagg Federal Building and United States Courthouse”; H.R. 5147, the “Bathrooms Accessible in Every Situation (BABIES) Act”; H.R. 5873, to designate the Federal building and United States courthouse located at 511 East San Antonio Avenue in El Paso, Texas, as the “R.E. Thomason Federal Building and United States Courthouse”; H.R. 5957, the “Federal Aviation Administration Veteran Transition Improvement Act of 2016”; H.R. 5977, to direct the Secretary of Transportation to provide to the appropriate committees of Congress advance notice of certain announcements, and for other purposes; H.R. 5978, the “Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Amendments Act of 2016”; S. 546, the “RESPONSE Act of 2016”; and possible other matters cleared for consideration, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

September 15, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing entitled “A Review of Recently

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*Committee on Veterans’ Affairs*, September 14, Full Committee, hearing entitled “An Examination of VA’s Misuse of Employee Settlement Agreements”, 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.

*Committee on Ways and Means*, September 14, Subcommittee on Health, hearing entitled “Exploring the Use of Technology and Innovation to Create Efficiencies, Higher Quality, and Better Access for Beneficiaries in Health Care”, 10 a.m., 1100 Longworth.

September 14, Full Committee, markup on H.R. 3957, the “Emergency Citrus Disease Response Act”; H.R. 5946, the “United States Appreciation for Olympians and Paralympians Act”; H.R. 5719, the “Empowering Employees through Stock Ownership Act”; H.R. 2285, the “Prevent Trafficking in Cultural Property Act”; H.R. 5879, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the credit for production from advanced nuclear power facilities; H.R. 5406, the “Helping Ensure Accountability, Leadership, and Trust in Tribal Healthcare Act”; H.R. 5204, the “Stop Taxing Death and Disability Act”; and H.R. 4220, the “Water and Agriculture Tax Reform Act of 2015”, 3 p.m., 1100 Longworth.

*Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence*, September 15, Full Committee, business meeting on consideration of a Committee Report entitled “Review of Unauthorized Disclosures by Former NSA Contractor Edward Snowden”, 9 a.m., HVC-304. This meeting will be closed.

*Next Meeting of the SENATE*

10 a.m., Tuesday, September 13

*Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES*

10 a.m., Tuesday, September 13

Senate Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Senate will continue consideration of S. 2848, Water Resources Development Act.

*(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for their respective party conferences.)*

House Chamber

**Program for Tuesday:** Consideration of H.R. 3590—Halt Tax Increases on the Middle Class and Seniors Act (Subject to a Rule). Begin consideration of H.R. 5620—VA Accountability First and Appeals Modernization Act of 2016 (Subject to a Rule). Consideration of measures under suspension of the rules.

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